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SUBJECT: US-USSR TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: TRADE
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1. ON DECEMBER 24, 1975, REDDING, DOT, RECEIVED TELEX FROM NICKOLAEV, MIN FOREIGN TRADE, INDICATING READINESS TO SEND OR RECEIVE IN FEBRUARY 1976, A TECHNICAL TEAM OF SPECIALISTS TO PREPARE, DEVELOP, AND EXECUTE THE CARGO DATA INTERCHANGE DEMONSTRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECORD OF WORKING GROUP MEETING IN MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 3. ON JANUARY 16, SMIRNOV, USSR EMBASSY DELIVERED LETTER TO REDDING FROM NICKOLAEV DATED DEC 1975 WHICH (A) REFERRED TO TELEX SENT CONCERNING POSSIBILITY AND DATES OF SPECIALISTS' MEETING; (B) EXPLAINED THAT HEALTH PREVENTED HIS TRIP TO U.S. LAST FALL; AND (C) ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIPT OF DOCUMENTS SENT TO SYURIN (NICKOLAEV'S PREDECESSOR) IN AUGUST. COPIES OF UNCLASSIFIED

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CORRESPONDENCE BEING POUCHED TO EMBASSY TODAY.

2. REQUEST SCIOFF PASS FOLLOWING REPLY FROM REDDING TO
NICKOLAEV AND LEVTONOV, SCST.

QTE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TELEX AND LETTER. WE APPRECIATE
YOUR GOOD WISHES FOR NEW YEAR AND EXTEND SAME TO YOU AND
YOUR ASSOCIATES. REGRET THAT KEY MEMBERS OF U.S.
TECHNICAL TEAM WILL BE IN EUROPE DURING LAST HALF OF
FEBRUARY AND THUS UNABLE TO MEET WITH YOUR TEAM.
INSTEAD, I SUGGEST YOU SEND YOUR TECHNICAL TEAM TO
WASHINGTON EITHER DURING THE FIRST WEEK OR LAST WEEK
OF MARCH TO MEET AS PART OF THIRD JOINT SESSION OF
WORKING GROUP. IN THE MEANTIME WE CAN EXCHANGE WRITTEN
TECHNICAL COMMENTS ON FEBRUARY ONE AS AGREED DURING OUR
LAST MEETING. UNQTE. KISSINGER

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